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漫の上の挑戦者たちが夢を追う、名人戦・クイーン戦予選。
だれしもが特別な思いで臨んだこの日、
千早は修学旅行先の京都にいた。大切な友人と恩師がくれた、
もう一つの夢を叶えるために――。
一方、体調不良を理由に姿を見せずにいた太一、
そして新は、東西の予選会場へ。
努力、希望、信念。それぞれが描く未来への道とは――？

名人位・クイーン位挑戦者決定戦予選当日。
今年もまた、最強の挑戦者が誕生する！

原田先生がソロで
表紙になることが、
ひとつの大きな夢でした。
やったー！
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うつりにけりな
いたづらに。

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20巻&BE・LOVE連動プレゼント実施中!

女の戦い、始めましょうか。

アニメ絶賛放映中! 最新刊20巻も大好評発売中!!

生徒諸君!

最終章・旅立ち

庄司陽子

最新刊7巻絶賛発売中!!

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- 「記憶博物館」……飛鳥あると
- 「桃の香りの月」……雨宮もえ

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子育てたんたん

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SOME DAY, YOU'LL BECOME THE MEIJIN.
BUT...
..NOT THE NEXT ONE.
I DON'T FEEL MOTIVATED EVEN WHEN I WATCH YOU.
YOU HAVE ONLY 2 MINUTES OF YOUR MEMORIZATION TIME LEFT.
AH, NO GOOD!
THE THIRD MATCH IS ABOUT TO START.
THE MEIJIN QUALIFIER GETS EVERYBODY FIRED UP!

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
WHAT DID YOU MEAN BY THAT...
2
...SUOU-MEIJIN?
Arata's takes are unusually rough...
SUOU-SAN, GOING BACK ALREADY?
YEAH. IF YOU WANT, I'LL SEE YOU HOME, TOO, SHINOBU-CHAN.
THANK YOU, BUT I'LL STAY FOR A BIT MORE.
BESIDES, AFTER YOU CAME ALL THE WAY HERE, TO OUMI-JINGUU,
ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO LEAVE WITHOUT PAYING THE SHRINE A VISIT?
CLAP
CLAP

PERHAPS, THIS IS WHAT IT TAKES
TO HOLD YOU UP AND SUPPORT YOUR STRENGTH, HUH...
5 CONSE-CUTIVE TITLES...
YOU SEEM TO HAVE ALL THE CONFIDENCE IN THE WORLD,
BUT, SUOU-SAN...
...WHAT IS IT THAT SUPPORTS YOU?

AFTER ALL, YOU'RE...
...NOT A GOD.
NOTHING
WHERE DOES THAT STRENGTH OF YOURS COME FROM?
IF IT WERE TRUE, THEN...
LIAR.

MASHIMA-KUN...
T/N: KOSAKU IS COMPRISED FROM THE FIRST KANJI OF HIS LAST NAME AND THE LAST ONE OF HIS FIRST NAME. ALSO MEANS "TENANT".
THE RUNNER-UP OF THE ALL-JAPAN CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT, A SKILLFUL PLAYER WITH A GAME STYLE THAT'S WELL BALANCED BETWEEN OFFENSE AND DEFENCE.
NICKNAMED "KOSAKU".
KOISHI-KAWA SHUUSAKU (22) KARUTA SOCIETY OF K UNIVERSITY.
T/N: OOISHI TENGUDOU IS A COMPANY THAT PRODUCES KARUTA CARDS, SHOGI PIECES AND ETC.
...IN KARUTA'S OOISHI TENGUDOU ...!
HIS FINDING EMPLOYMENT DOES HAVE INFLUENCE, HUH...
THAT KOSAKU... HE'S BEEN DOING GREAT THIS YEAR.
KOSAKU-SENPAI IS AMAZING!
HE'S LEADING BY 9 CARDS!
University of

MAKE NO MISTAKE.
FU!!
I WILL BECOME THE POSTER BOY
University of
FOR OOISHI TENGU-DOU!
EH?
NO ONE EXPECTS YOU TO
Drrrrrr
THAT HIGH SCHOOL BOY IS THE ONE WHO WAS THE RUNNER-UP IN THE YOSHINO SOCIETY TOURNAMENT, NO?
HE'S NOT DOING WE..L TODAY...
WE..., HE'S UP AGAINST KOISHIKAWA-KUN...
10 CARD DIFFE-RENCE ...
SEEMS LIKE HE SIMPLY GOT LUCKY TO HAVE THE OPPONENT FROM THE SAME SOCIETY AT THAT TOURNAMENT.

TN: KOSAKU USES THE SAME PHRASE AS LUFFY FROM ONE PIECE...

THIS GUY...
...IS STRONG...
HE'S TRYING TO ATTACK, BUT THIS TIME
HIS OPPONENT IS SOMEONE WHO HE HAS NO INFORMATION ON, SO HE ENDS UP A LITTLE LATE AT EVERY TURN.
I GOTTA FIND A WAY TO TAKE CARDS EVEN FROM THE ENEMY'S TERRITORY!
ATTACK!
BUT STILL, I GOTTA ATTACK!
HE DID IT AGAIN...
OH, HE DOUBLE FOULED TODAY, TOO!
AH!
IT'S A DOUBLE FOUL FOR KOSAKU!
ALRI-GHT!
Yura no to wo-
THE RESIDENT BLUNDERER DOESN'T LET UP!!
!!

OK.
DOUBLE FOUL...
IT'S OK!
University of K
IT'S STILL ME,
BLUNDERS AND ALL.
University of K
8
CURSE YOU, PERVY BLUNDERER!
FORGET ABOUT GETTING HIS PACE RUINED BY THE FOULS!
HE'S FEELING MORE AND MORE AT EASE AFTER MAKING THEM!
Caruta

MASHIMA-SENPAI...
IN THE ALL-JAPAN TOURNAMENT HE FOULED 20 TIMES IN THE 6 MATCHES, YET STILL BECAME THE RUNNER-UP.
DESPITE HIS FOULS, HE'S STILL STRONG.
DIFFE-RENCE AGAIN...
NOW DOWN TO 8 CARD DIFFE-RENCE...
SENPAI...!
...IS DOING HIS BEST TO BECOME HIMSELF!
I'm
MYSELF
...
karuta

THE OPPONENT DEFENDED THAT CARD
DESPITE HOW HE WAS ATTACKING EARLIER
IS WE SPECIALIZING IN DEFENSE?

THERE'S A DIFFERENCE IN SEVERAL CARDS...
...WILL BE ON MY SIDE OF THE FIELD.
AND THE NEXT CARD...
I WOULDN'T WANT TO GIVE UP OFFENSIVE KARUTA...
IT'S THE KARUTA HARADA-SENSEI PLAYS...
BUT....
BUT FOR ME
OFFENSIVE KARUTA IS THE STRONGEST AND BEST!
I-I SEE.
I'M SURE I DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU THIS,

HOWEVER...
...THE KARUTA YOU DISPLAYED IN YOUR MATCH WITH MURAO-KUN WHERE YOU MANAGED TO SKILLFULY PROTECT CARDS BECAUSE YOU WERE VERY TIRED BY THE TIME...
...DEFENSIVE KARUTA...
...FITS YOU WELL.
HE...
HE TOOK 7 CARDS IN A ROW ...

THERE'S ONLY 1 CARD DIFFERENCE NOW...!
13
Hana ha- sou-
WHA?!
He swept cards... from both sides?!
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS!
A SEMI-DOUBLE FOUL AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!
THE BLUNDERER STRIKES AGAIN!

A TURN-ARYUND BECAUSE OF MY OWN MISTAKE?!
HE CAN DO IT!
Kari-
Waga mi nari-

Chi-
kaya-
buru~
EH ...?
HERE GOES!
CALM DOWN...
I WAS TOO SLOW TO SWITCH FROM OFFENSE TO DEFENSE.
MASHIMA-SENPAI FAILED TO TAKE THE 'CHIHA' CARD...?
I GOTTA CALM DOWN!
AH, THE CARD IS ON THE ENEMY'S HALF OF THE FIELD AGAIN...

CALM DOWN.
DON'T LET HIM TAKE THE LEAD.
KEEP UP WITH HIM.
NO MORE THAN 1 CARD DIFFE-RENCE.
16
From Mas
Subject
Chihaya got through the 1st round. I'm gonna become the eastern representative, so make sure you'll be the western one.
ARATA WILL BE THE WESTERN REPRESEN-TATIVE.
I GOTTA WIN...
IT'S 1 CARD TO 1 CARD NOW..!
IT'S UP TO LUCK OF THE DRAW...!
...THE EASTERN QUALI-FIER.
11

Meguri
aite-
University of
THANK YOU FOR THE GAME.

KOISHIKAWA-KUN LOST A 10 CARD LEAD, HUH.
IT'S LUCK OF THE DRAW CAN'T BE HELPED.
MASHI-MA-KUN WAS AMAZ-ING
IT WAS A CLOSE FIGHT
HANANO, DON'T GO AFTER HIM RIGHT NOW.
WHAT IS IT, TSUKU-BA?
AH...
S-SENPAI...
HANANO!
IF I WERE HIM, I WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO.
RIGHT NOW...
EVEN I'M...
...HURT-ING BAD!

1 'FU',
2 'YAMA GA',
3 'HANA NO',
4 'IMA KO',
5 'ASABO A'...
I WAS COUNTING.
15 'WASURE',
16 'KIMI WO',
17 'WAGA',
18 'MISE'...
I WAS COUNTING.
29 'NAGEKE',
30 'SHINO'...
48 'ASABA U',
49 'SU',
50 'KIRI',
51 'OTO'...
69 'KIMI WA',
70 'SA',
71 'AI',
72 'NANISHI'...
I WAS COUNTING EVERY LAST ONE OF THEM.
98 'MIKI'...
99 'ME'...
THE 100TH ONE...
IT NEVER GOT READ, NOT EVEN IN THE END.
NO DEAD CARDS EITHER...
TAKING THAT 'ME' FROM RIGHT UNDER THE ENEMY'S NOSE JUST ISN'T HAPPENING, YOU BLITHERING IDIOT.

'CHIHA'
...
...IN THE ENEMY'S FORMATION...
THAT'S WHAT I SHOULD HAVE TAKEN AT ALL COSTS...
...THAT I ALWAYS MUST TAKE, NO MATTER WHERE IT MIGHT BE PLACED,
THAT'S ONE CARD...
EVEN WITH MY EYES SHUT...

THE SEMIFINALISTS FOR BOTH MEN AND WOMEN ARE DECIDED.
WE'RE PRESSED FOR TIME, SO YOU WILL HAVE ONLY A 10 MINUTE BREAK BEFORE WE NEED YOU TO TAKE YOUR SEATS.
THAT SOON?!
HARADA-SENSEI BEAT TAMARU-KUN!
HARADA
ブキン
ブキン
I'M SUCH A DAMN FOOL...

DON'T BE STINGY ABOUT A COUPLE OF MINUTES!
THERE'RE THINGS THAT JUST WON'T COME OUT FASTER EVEN IF YOU WANT THEM TO. YOU KNOW?! AND IT'S PERFECTLY HUMAN!
BUT WE HAVE NO TIME...
WAIT TILL HE COMES OUT HIMSELF.
HEY.
HARADA-SAAAAN!
MAYBE HE'S IN THE TOILET?
HARADA-SAN! WHERE ARE YOU?
PLEASE COME HERE!
HE'S RIGHT, TSUTSUMI-KUN. WAIT A LITTLE.
THE OTHERS WON'T HAVE OBJECTIONS, I'M SURE.
YOU AGREE WITH US, RIGHT?
バーン!

Sender: Hanano Sumire
The matchups for the semifinals are like this:
Harada-sensei vs Koishikawa-kun
Tsuboguchi-san vs Sudou-san
You have a new message from Hanano Sumire
ブルブル
RINGING

バコーン
ズキン
ズキン
HARADA-SENSEI'S KNEES MUST BE AT THEIR LIMIT...
HIS PUPILS ARE SO EAGER TO PICK UP THE CARDS HE SWEPT FOR HIM...

I...
...DON'T REMEMBER THE TIME WHEN MY KNEES DIDN'T HURT ALL THAT CLEARLY.
YES...
HAA
KOISHI-KAWA-KUN LIKELY ...
...DOESN'T KNOW YET HOW IT FEELS WHEN YOUR KNEES HURT.
HAA
IT'S OK.
University of K
IT'S GONNA BE OK AS LONG AS I REMAIN CALM
...IT'S GONNA BE OK
EVEN IF I MAKE A BLUNDER ..
I HAVE TO MAKE DO WITH THIS BODY OF MINE.
Amatsu kaze-
OOPS!
THE OLD FOOL TOTALLY MISSED THAT CARD JUST NOW...
BUT HE CORRECTED HIS MISTAKE RIGHT AWAY ..
.....
...IN THE FORM OF BLOCKING KOISHIKAWA-KUN AND GUARDING THE CARD

H-
HE'S STRONG, HUH, THIS SUDOU-KUN...
MATSUGE-KUN REALLY DID GREAT WINNING AGAINST HIM...
HERO
北央
カタ...
25
INCRE-DIBLE ...
.....
HARADA-SENSEI IS KEEPING UP WITH KOSAKU-KUN...
はっ
はっ

WELL, I KIND OF WISHED ONCE THAT MY CARD WOULD NEVER BE READ EVER AGAIN, SO...
I'VE NOTICED YOU'VE BEEN ATTACHING THE ENEMY'S CARD LATELY. WHEN IT CAME TO LUCK OF THE DRAW...
MATSUGE-KUN...
WHY?
BUT IF YOU CONCENTRATE HARD ENOUGH AND PRACTICE WITH FULL DEDICATION FOR A LONG LONG TIME, THEN...!
...SOMEHOW...
YOU MAY NOT BELIEVE IT,
ake no~
Ari-
OOPSIE!
PARDON.
I DIDN'T TOUCH IT, THOUGH.
Trying to lure him into touching it
26

EEEEEE!!~?!
Fufufufu
PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE KNOW CALL SUCH A CARD A JOKER.
...YOUR GUT FEELING STARTS TELLING WHAT CARD WON'T BE READ.
ha
ha
ha
ALRIGHT! IT'S IN!
IN?!
AND ONCE YOU KNOW WHAT CARD THAT WILL BE,
YOU START MAKING PREPARATIONS BEFOREHAND.

YOU SEND THE CARD THAT WON'T BE READ TO YOUR OPPONENT.
AAH!
KOSAKU HAS 1 CARD LEFT.
HARADA-SENSEI - 4 CARDS
TO MAKE A BLUNDER AFTER MAKING IT SO FAR...
WHAT'S WITH THAT HARADA..
YOU PREPARE...
...FOR LUCK OF THE DRAW.

...THAT HARADA STARTS LOOKING LIKE MADNESS INCARNATE.
IT'S WHEN HIS OPPONENT HAS ONLY 1 CARD LEFT.
THE BRAT APPARENTLY DOESN'T KNOW HUH.
BUT IN REALITY
...IT'S AT THOSE MOMENTS THAT HE'S MORE DEAD-CALM AND COOL-HEADED
...THAN MOST PEOPLE EVER COULD BE
IT'S LUCK OF THE DRAW
SO IT'S ALL UP TO LUCK AGAIN...
KO

DRAW IT!
LET IT BE HIS CARD!
.....
DRAW HARADA-SENSEI'S CARD!
DRAW HIS CARD!
DRAW IT!!!
Ta-
MATSUGE-KUN.

THE CARDS THAT AREN'T MEANT TO BE READ...
...WILL NEVER BE READ.

LUCK OF THE DRAW...
...IS NOT ABOUT LUCK OR FATE AT ALL.
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IT'S NOT ABOUT LUCK OR FATE AT ALL.

HARADA-SENSEI DID IT!
HE WON AGAINST A YOUNG, FULL OF ENERGY OPPONENT!
SOME RESILENCE HE HAS!
HE DIDN'T GIVE UP AND WRESTLED THIS VICTORY FROM THE YOUNGSTER!
DON'T GO UNDERESTIMATING PEOPLE JUST CAUSE THEY PUT ON SOME YEARS!
YOU'RE NOTHING SPECIAL, BRAT.
THAT'S RIGHT.
KARUTA IS NOT ALL ABOUT YOUTH!
HARADA-SAN...
...HAS FINALLY MADE IT TO THE FINALS.
HOW'S TSUBOGUCHI-KUN DOING, I WONDER.
FOR 45 YEARS ...
YOUR GUT FEELING STARTS TELLING YOU WHAT CARD WON'T BE READ.
IF YOU CONCENTRATE HARD ENOUGH AND PRACTICE WITH FULL DEDICATION FOR A LONG LONG TIME,
WITH FULL DEDICATION FOR A LONG LONG TIME...

THE EASTERN MEIJIN QUALIFIER FINALISTS ARE
HARADA-SAN AND SUDOU-KUN.
AND THE QUEEN QUALIFIER FINALISTS ARE
INOKUMA-SAN AND YAMAMOTO-SAN.
FUJISAN

THE FINALS WILL START IN 10 MINUTES!

I SAW THOSE GIRLS AT THE SUMMER TOURNAMENT...
I WONDER WHICH ONE OF THEM WINS...
AH, IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN,
SHE'S FROM THE MYOUJOU SOCIETY...
ARATA-KUN ALREADY HAS ONLY 1 CARD LEFT THIS EARLY IN THE GAME...
AND AGAINST TAKEMURA-KUN WHO CRASHED HIM LAST YEAR, TOO...

HE'S GOING STRONG AND STEADY THIS YEAR.
.....
THANK YOU FOR THE GAME.
.....
IT'S NOT LIKE ARATA.
TAKING RISK AND ATTACKING THE ENEMY'S FORMATION
WITH 1-7 CARD DIFFERENCE...
RUMBLE

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
SHINOBU-CHAN.
SO I GUESS I CAN TAKE MY LEAVE.
ARATA WILL WIN THE FINALS ANYWAY EVEN IF HE'S OUT OF SHAPE.
OH NO.
I GOT HUNGRY.
EXCUSE ME.
ISE-SENSEI...
YOU WATCHED THE SEMI-FINALS, DIDN'T YOU?
SO WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT OUR YUIKAWA?
SHE'S ONLY A FIRST YEAR UNIVERSITY STUDENT, BUT SHE GOT NOTICEABLY STRONGER LATELY.
RUMBLE

FUMIKUN
OH? ARE YOU HUNGRY?
NO, NOT REALLY.
I ALREADY SAID THIS TO YOU BEFORE,
BUT ALLOW ME TO INVITE YOU AGAIN TO COME AND PRACTICE AT THE MYOUJYOU SOCIETY.
NO, NO, I WOULDN'T DARE! SOMEONE LIKE ME WILL ONLY BE IN YOUR WAY.
THAT HER GRAND DAUGHTER HAS NO FRIENDS, YOU KNOW...
WAKAMIYA-SENSEI IS ALSO WORRIED,
SO MAYBE YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND?
I WOULD THINK THAT OUR YUIKAWA...
...WOULD MAKE A GOOD PRACTICE PARTNER FOR YOU...
EVEN IF IT MEANS SHE'LL GET THOROUGHLY CRASHED?

SHINOBU-CHAN.
TAKE THIS.
W-WAIT, SHINOBU-CHAN.
THIS...
AAH.
YOU'RE WELCOME TO COME AND PRACTICE WHENEVER YOU WANT!

Nakaniya-sensei is also married...
...that her grand daughter has no friends...
Munch
Munch
That's none of your business.
That has nothing to do with you.

ONLY ONE MATCH LEFT, ARATA-KUN.
INDEED.
AND YOUR OPPONENT IN THE FINALS WILL PROBABLY BE...
WHAT IS THIS?
AH, THIS?
IT'S THE SITUATION IN THE EASTERN QUALIFIER.
A CALL CAME JUST A FEW MINUTES AGO WITH THE SEMIFINA..STS' NAMES...
EASTERN SEMIFINALISTS
MEIJIN
O HARADA VS. KOISHIKAWA
9 TSUBOGUSHI VS. SUDOU
QUEEN
O SAKURAZAWA VS. Y
O INOKUMA VS. YAMA
TAICHI ISN'T AMONG THEM...
WE GOT ELIMINA-TED...
PHEW
WHY DID I SIGH WITH RELIEF JUST NOW ...?
ガラン
AH!
MURAO-KUN!
YOUR OPPONENT IN THE FINALS IS HERE!

MURAO SHIN'ICHI VS WATAYA ARATA.
THE SHOWDOWN BETWEEN TWO MEMBERS OF THE NAGUMO SOCIETY.
THAT'S RIGHT. IT'S THE RESULT CONFORMING WITH OUR STRENGTH.
SHIN'ICHI-NII-CHAN!
HE'S GOT EXPERIENCE AND PRECISION...
MURAO-KUN WASN'T AT HIS BEST AT THE BEGINNING, BUT AS THE QUALIFIER PROGRESSED, HE MADE A COMBACK.
BUT...

THE ONE WHO JUST MIGHT HAVE A CHANCE
TO STOP SUWA-MEIJIN FROM TAKING HIS 5TH CONSE-CUTIVE TITLE ISN'T HIM BUT...
WELL THEN, YOU HAVE 15 MINUTES TO MEMORIZE THE CARDS.
THE MATCH WILL START AT 6:10 SHARP.

E...
EXCUSE ME.
It's OK to leave your seat during the memorization time.
HUUUUUH
I'LL NEVER EAT ANY OF YUU'S COOKING EVER AGAIN.
WHAT'S GONE BAD? DRUPE? BONITO?
WHY DID I BREATHE A SIGH OF RELIEF WHEN I SAW THAT SHEET?

WHY DID I FEEL RELIEVED THAT TAICHI LOST...?
I APOLOGIZE
IT'S THE FINALS,
BUT MURAO-SAN IS THE SAME AS ALWAYS.
ME, TOO...
I'M GONNA PLAY THE SAME KARUTA I ALWAYS PLAY
IT'S TIME.
LIKE ALWAYS...

...TO THAT ROOM.
17
Sa-
MURAO-KUN IS FAST!
bi shi sa mi~
HE WENT FOR A ONE-SYLLABLE CARD IN THE ENEMY'S FORMATION!

南雲会
MURAO-SAN IS THE SAME AS ALWAYS.
WE DIVIDED THE 'UKA' AND 'URA' IN HIS FORMATION AS A COUNTERMEASURE AGAINST ARATA-KUN WHO'S GOOD AT TAKING CARDS STARTING WITH THE SAME SOUND IF THEY'RE PLACED CLOSE TO EACH OTHER.
BUT AS FOR ME...
WHY? I'M NOT...?
Kono tabi wa~
Mono-shiki ya~

WHY ARE YOU THERE?
YOU'RE IN MY WAY, TAICHI.
TAICHI...

...LOOK DOWN ON TAICHI...
IN KAKUTA ...
BECAUSE (IF THAT)
...WAS A MEAN SIDE ABOUT HIM.
...AND HE DOESN'T POSSESS ANY EXTRAORDINARY SENSES LIKE CHIHAYA'S.
DID ...

DID I LOOK DOWN ON A FRIEND ...?

FOR ARATA-KUN...
...TO ACTUALLY BE LATE TO DEFEND THAT CARD...
Aa-
boro-
ke~
A-
.....
...ARATA'S BEEN ACTING STRANGE.
EVER SINCE THE YOSHINO SOCIETY TOURNA-MENT...
WHAT'S WITH HIM?
ARATA IS GETTING STRONGER.
HE'S A VERY DIFFICULT OPPONENT WHEN HE'S ON HIS GAME.
BUT IF HE'S NOT... I JUST MIGHT BE ABLE TO BEAT HIM.
BUT THIS IS WHERE MY CHANCE LIES.

THIS YEAR IS MY CHANCE.
I'M GOING TO RETIRE AFTER I WILL HAVE WON MY FIFTH CONSECUTIVE TITLE.
MY LAST
CHANCE.
Mise-
baya
Ha~
南

WAIT A MOMENT PLEASE.

ぺしん
YAMASHIRO-SAN IS DOING US HONOR READING FOR US, YOU KNOW...

SO COME ON, COME BACK, ARATA.

ビギふるるるるる

RRRRUMBLE

RUMBLE

WHOSE WAS THAT?!
THE QUEEN AGAIN?!
NOW, OF ALL TIMES...
DON'T TELL ME...
ぐぎゃろろろ
……
MY APOLOGIES
ARATA-KUN?!
EXCUSE ... ME.
コロ ooo
RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MATCH?!
HE LEFT HIS SEAT ...?
A TOILET BREAK?!
ドッ
ガコン
W-WELL ...
IT HAS NO BEARING ON THE MATCH...
WHAT'S GOING TO BECOME OF THE MATCH?
SENSEI! WHAT ARE THE RULES IN CASES LIKE THIS?
ドッ

Tachi waka-
THE READER WILL CONTINUE READING, AND THE MATCH WILL GO ON EVEN IF THERE'S ONLY ONE PARTICIPANT...
I WONDER HOW MANY CARDS WILL BE READ
QUICK! GOTTA MAKE IT QUICK!
WHILE I'M STUCK ON THE TOILET...
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS IS HAPPENING!!!
I WON'T TOUCH HER COOKING EVER AGAIN!!!
NEVER EVER AGAIN, I SWEAR!!! YUU, YOU MORON!!!
MORON!!!
FROM MOTHER.
I DON'T MIND JOINING THE KARUTA CLUB.
WHAT IS THIS PETTY BRIBE?
I DON'T NEED IT.

I WAS ACTING SO ARROGANT...
YUU, FORGIVE ME.
LOOKS LIKE I'M...
...NOT MUCH AS A PERSON, HUH.
ガラッ
MY APOLOGIES.
ホッ...
WHEN I WAS IN THE TOILET 4 CARDS WERE TAKEN...
NOW IT'S 11 CARD DIFFERENCE...
SEEMS LIKE A FEW DEAD CARDS CAME UP...

11 CARD DIFFERENCE WITH MURAO-SAN AS MY OPPONENT...
FRANKLY, AT THIS POINT I CAN'T PICTURE MYSELF WINNING.
BUT STILL...
FOR SOME REASON ...
I KNOW THAT I MUSTN'T GIVE UP THIS FIGHT.

EVEN IF I EMBARRASS MYSELF ...
EVEN IF I'M NOTHING MUCH AS A PERSON...
I MUSTN'T RUN AWAY NOW.
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☆テレビアニメ「ちはやふる」
福井放送毎週水曜25:30～
※放送時間は予告なく変更になる場合があります。
※地域によって放送時間は変わります。

AND THIS IS ANOTHER DIRE HANDICAP ON TOP OF THE CARD DIFFERENCE DISADVAN-TAGE
OR HOW THE DECISIVE SYLLABLES CHANGED.
HE CAN ONLY SEE THAT 4 CARDS HAVE BEEN TAKEN OFF THE FIELD, BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW MANY CARDS WERE READ
BUT HE DOESN'T HAVE MANY CHANCES TO WIN ANYMORE..
ALTHOUGH I'M SURE ARATA-KUN WILL DO HIS BEST DESPITE ALL THAT
I'M GOING TO MOVE THE CARDS.

...HAS NO INTENTION TO GIVE UP.
ARATA...
I CAN'T MAKE ANYMORE STUPID MISTAKES...
EVERY-BODY IS —WATCH-ING.
SHOULD I LAUNCH AN ATTACK?
BUT THERE'S A FEAR OF A FOUL OR EVEN A DOUBLE FOUL TO CONSIDER.
BUT THAT'S MY ONLY VIABLE OPTION.
I GOTTA DO IT.
IT'S USELESS TO TRY TO GUESS WHICH ONES, THOUGH.
ALL I CAN DO IS JUST KEEP PLAYING BASED ON WHAT'S KNOWN TO ME.
JUDGING BY HOW LONG I WAS ABSENT, THERE PROBABLY WERE 2 OR 3 DEAD CARDS READ.

Fu-
ku
kara
ni~
HE ATTACKED A ONE-SYLLABLE CARD IN HIS OWN FORMATION ALMOST BEFORE IT WAS READ!
IT WOULD BE GREAT
IF I HAD 28 ONE-SYLLABLE CARDS LIKE YOU, SHOU-SAN.
HE WAS LUCKY THIS TIME.

Kimi
ga
tame~
BESIDES, I'M FED UP WITH BEING PATHETIC.
WAS IT ACTUALLY 27?
AH.
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もぐもぐ
EVEN THE MEIJIN SAYS CRYPTIC THINGS.
銘菓

ARATA-KUN IS BACK TO HIS USUAL SELF.
FAST!
HE GUARDED 'KIMI' IN THE ENEMY FORMATION!
LUCKY YOU MAY BE,
A MULTI-SYLLABLE CARD AFTER A ONE SYLLABLE ONE...
AREN'T YOU LUCKY, ARATA.
BUT THAT LUCKY STREAK OF YOURS WON'T CONTINUE FOR LONG.
YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO FIGHT FOR THE ONE-SYLLABLE AND THREE-SYLLABLE CARDS!
Haru no no ni idete~
Waka-na tsu-mu~

Yuru no to wo~
カラン
MURAO-KUN IS ALSO FAST!
……
HE SWEPT THIS 'YU' ON THE FIRST SYLLABLE?
南雲
THAT CAN ONLY MEAN THAT ONE OF THE DEAD CARDS THAT WERE READ IN MY ABSENCE WAS 'YUU'.
NOW I DON'T KNOW ONLY 2 OTHER DEAD CARDS.

...HOW TO PICTURE MYSELF WINNING.
AGATA
PICTURE IT.
THE CARDS WILL SHOW ME...

MEGUMU,
YUIKAWA-SAN IS A DIFFICULT OPPONENT, ISN'T SHE.
AND HERE, WE HAVE A REALLY CLOSE FIGHT
I WAS SURE ARATA-KUN WILL WIN BUT NOW IT'S UP IN THE AIR, I GUESS...
Not interested
WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE MEIJIN QUALIFIER?
.....
WHAT A DIFFICULT OPPONENT.
I'M MOVING THE CARDS.
SHE'S WEIRDLY FAST IN THE LEFT HALF OF HER FORMATION.
WHAT?! SHE WANTS TO MOVE ALL OF THEM TO THE LEFT?!
SHE WANTS TO MOVE A FEW CARDS FROM THE RIGHT HALF TO THE LEFT NOW...

SHE'S LEFT-HANDED, AND HER DEFENSE ON THE LEFT IS NOTHING SHORT OF EXCEPTIONAL.
A LEFTIE, JUST LIKE THE QUEEN
HAA... GEEZ.
BUT I'M NOT GONNA LOSE.
スキューン
カシャカシャカシャカシャ
Ashi-biki no~
Koma hito wo~

Wata no hara~
Ko-
Phew
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11-19
THE DIFFERENCE SHRANK A LITTLE
MURAO-SAN ISN'T FLUSTERED
WITH THE SCORE ADVANTAGE ON HIS SIDE HE'S CALMLY ATTACKING THE ENEMY FORMATION,
JUST LIKE THE THEORY ADVICES.
NII-CHAN LOOKS SOMEWHAT WORRIED
Kumoi ni magou~
Okitsu shiranami~
WHAT IS BOTHERING HIM.?

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Wa~
ヒュッ
sure ii no~
KUH ...
HE CLEANLY SWEPT BOTH 'WAGAI' AND 'WASURE'.
'WASURE' IS THE CARD MURAO-KUN SENT HIM IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE MATCH
I SEE NOW!
MURAO-KUN HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO SEND HIM CARDS... HE WOULD NEVER NORMALLY SEND IN THE BEGINNING AND THE MIDDLE STAGE OF THE MATCH
WITH SUCH A BIG CARD DIFFERENCE THAT I HARDLY EVER HAPPENED WITH ARATA-KUN AS THIS MOMENT

ENDED UP HAVING BOTH 'WAGAI' AND 'WASURE' NEXT TO EACH OTHER-
AS A RESULT, ARATA-KUN WHO'S ESPECIALLY GOOD AT SWEEPS,
ESPECIALLY NOW THAT HE HAD 'WASURE' THAT WAS ORIGINALLY HIS TAKEN FROM HIM...
THAT'S WHAT MURAO-KUN IS WORRIED ABOUT..
18 - 11
7 CARD DIFFE-RENCE...
WITH AN OPPONENT OF ROUGHLY THE SAME STRENGTH, HAVING A BIG LEAD...
...MAKES WINNING ALL THE HARDER...
.....
CATCH-ING UP...
IS NOT IMPOSS-IBLE.

I WILL CATCH UP,
Ima kou to~
CARD BY CARD.
FAST ...
HIS ATTACK WAS A SUC-CESS!
YOU'RE THE WATAYA ARATA AFTER ALL, NO?
OF COURSE IT'S GONNA BE TOUGH.

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I'M STILL WINNING BY 8 CARDS WITH ARATA AS MY OPPONENT.
I'LL KEEP ATTACK-ING.
THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH.
MURAO -SAN.
ANOTHER DEAD CARD WAS...
...'IMA WA', RIGHT?

I LIKE MURAO-SAN'S KARUTA.
MURAO-KUN MAKES A GOOD SENPAI.
KEEP UP WITH HIM.
HIS KARUTA IS SERIOUS, AND STEADY,
AND ISN'T INFLUENCED BY THE GAME DEVELOPMENT.

ARATA-KUN INTENDED TO SWEEP THE CARDS FROM THE BOTH HALVES,
'YO NO NAKA YO' AND 'YO NO NAKA WA'.
BUT MURAO-KUN GUARDED THE CARD FROM THE DIRECTION OPPOSITE TO ARATA-KUN'S SWEEP.
OOH!
Yo
no naka yo~
'IF HE WANTS TO SWEEP BOTH CARDS, THEN I'LL INTERFERE WITH HIM BY PINNING DOWN AT LEAST ONE OF THEM'
UNLESS MURAO-KUN HAD RESOLVED TO IGNORE THE POSSIBLE CONSE-QUENCES, HE WOULDN'T HAVE MADE A MOVE LIKE THAT
IT'S MURAO-KUN'S COUNTER-MEASURE AGAINST ARATA-KUN.

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AS EXPECTED FROM MURAO-SAN.
HE DOESN'T MAKE THIS EASY...

奉納

IT'S ALRIGHT
ONLY 4 CARD DIFFE-RENCE?!
ALREADY?!

Tomo
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...ARATA-KUN KEEPS UP HIS RELENTLESS ATTACK ON MURAO-KUN'S FORMATION.
PROBABILITY-WISE, THE CARDS FROM ARATA-KUN'S FORMATION HAVE BETTER CHANCE TO BE DRAWN.
AND YET...
EVEN MURAO-SAN...
WITH A MORE THAN 10 CARD DIFFERENCE
...HAS ONLY THE CARDS THAT I'M GOOD AT TAKING LEFT.

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ESPECI-
ALLY...
...ON
THE
RIGHT
SIDE.
wo
haya-
mi~
TYPICALLY, ARATA-KUN PLAYS THE KARUTA THAT'S WELL BALANCED BETWEEN OFFENSE AND DEFENSE
BUT WITH SUCH A RELENTLESS ATTACK...

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Harada-sensei
Confirmed
...HE'S TURNING THE TIDE IN HIS FAVOR.
...TO FACE THE EASTERN REPRESENTATIVE,
THE EXPERT IN OFFENSIVE KARUTA.
THE TIDE THAT WILL BRING HIM...
Chi
haya buru-

I WANT TO DEFEAT SUOU-MEIJIN.
GO FOR IT, MAKE THE GAP WIDEN, SHIN'ICHI-NII-CHAN!
HE TOOK THE 'CHIHA' CARD ARATA-KUN HAD HIS SIGHTS ON!
OOH!
HE'S KEEPING UP!
MURAO-KUN IS PLENTY FAST, TOO!
TO DEFEAT THAT MEIJIN W..TH HARD WORK
THIS IS MY LAST CHANCE
LEE WINNING 'LEFT AN RIGHT' DUE TO H..STALEN ONLY
MURAO-SAN.
...'CHIGI-RIKI', WASN'T IT?
THE LAST DEAD CARD THAT WAS READ IN MY ABSENCE WAS...

HARD WORK...
OR NATURAL TALENT.
WORK...
...OR TALENT.

THANK YOU FOR THE GAME.
ARATA.

SMILE, ARATA.
IF YOU DON'T SMILE,
I'LL BE FEELING DOWN, TOO.
DON'T YOU ACTUALLY SMILE, YOU MORON!
YOU'LL GET ME UNNECESARILY DEPRESSED!

THE FINAL MATCH IS OVER.
I LIKE MURAO-SAN.
WITH 2 CARD DIFFERENCE
THE WINNER IS WATAYA ARATA-KUN.
TALENT AND HARD WORK...
YOU HAVE BOTH GOING FOR YOU.
GO AND WIN, ARATA.

IF I ALLOW MYSELF TO THINK THAT I HAVE EVERYTHING WHAT IT TAKES...
...I'LL PROBABLY END UP LOSING.
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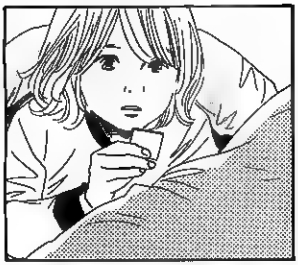
綿谷新 殿
貴下に本会主催第〇回
名人位決定戦西日本代表
としての出場を推薦します
平成〇〇年十月二十一日
SO I WILL GO TO FIND WHAT I LACK.
WELL THEN,
IN THE FINAL STAGE OF THE QUALIFIER THAT WILL BE HELD IN NOVEMBER,

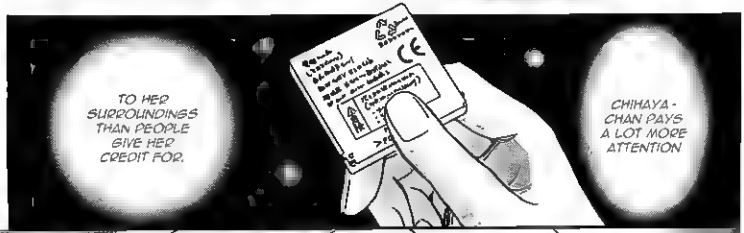
WESTERN JAPAN WILL BE REPRESENTED BY
WATAYA ARATA FOR THE MEIJIN TITLE
AND OUSAKA MEGUMU FOR THE QUEEN TITLE.
TBC in the next issue

T/N: THEY'RE PLAYING DAIFUGOU (JAPANESE EQUIVALENT OF THE CARD GAME *PRESIDENT*)

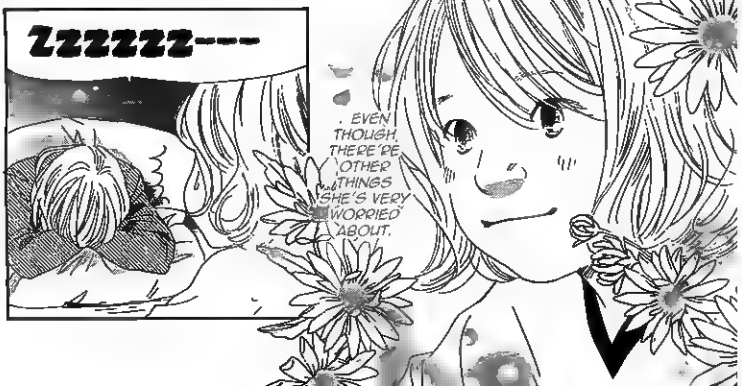
GO TO BED THIS INSTANCE, ALL OF YOU!!! IT'S ALREADY 11 P.M!!!
GYAA---!!!
THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN SLEEP. I MEAN, IT'S ONLY 11 P.M!
I WONDER IF IT'S POSSIBLE TO SNEAK OUT.
THE EMPRESS LEFT?
SHE LEFT?
WHERE D'YOU WANNA GO IF YOU SNEAK OUT?
I HEARD CLASS 3 PLAYED A DARE YOU GOTTA SNEAK OUT AND GO TO THE NEAREST CONVENIENCE STORE
IF YOU GET CAUGHT, THEY'LL MAKE YOU SIT ON YOUR HEELS IN THE CORRIDOR
WOW!
CHI-CHAN, I'M SORRY
I STILL HAVEN'T RETURNED YOU THE BATTERY FOR YOUR PHONE.
AH.
HERE.



IT'S OK.
HOLD ON TO IT TILL MORNING FOR ME, OK, MICHIRU-CHAN?
I WON'T BE ABLE TO RESIST TO TAKE A PEEK OTHER-WISE.


TO HER SURROUNDINGS THAN PEOPLE GIVE HER CREDIT FOR.
CHIHAYA-CHAN PAYS A LOT MORE ATTENTION

SOLELY ON OUR FIELD TRIP...
AND RIGHT NOW, SHE'S TRYING TO CONCEN-TRATE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. EVEN THOUGH THERE'RE OTHER THINGS SHE'S VERY WORRIED ABOUT.

CHIHAYA-CHAN,
THANK YOU FOR THAT.
WHAT, ARE YOU ASLEEP ALREADY?
WHAT ABOUT EXCHANGING LOVE STORIES?
IT'S USELESS ASKING CHI-CHAN ABOUT LOVE.
SHE ONLY DOES "BANG!" WITH CARDS AND TATAMI MATS.
SHE'S WASTED ON CARDS!
BANG!
EXCUSE ME FOR A SEC,
I NEED TO GO TO THE TOILET.
BUT THE SENSEI IS STANDING OUTSIDE, NO?
WELL, I'M JUST GOING TO THE TOILET, THIS SHOULD BE ALLOWED IN ANY CASE
カタン
TA...
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BE QUIET!
I'M, UH, FEELING BETTER NOW, SO I DECIDED TO COME.
BESIDES, I DON'T WANNA BE THE ONLY ONE TO HAVE TO ATTEND SUPPLEMENTARY LESSONS BECAUSE OF MY ABSENCE, SO
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I
SHHH!
5
W-WELL, FOR THE TIME BEING, QUICKLY GO SLEEP.
WH-WHAT.?
IS SHE MAD? SAD? CONFUSED?
THE CLASS 1 BOYS' ROOM IS OVER THERE.
UNDER-STOOD.

WELL, G'NIGHT, CHIHAYA.
YOU'D BETTER GO SLEEP, TOO.
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Don't gimme the non-sense
Like 'go sleep' !!!
WHAT'S WITH YOU, CHIHAYA!
SENSE! I'LL CATCH US, YOU MORON!
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TAI-CHI...
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IT'S HARADA-SENSEI.
THE EASTERN REPRESENTATIVE!

AND THE WESTERN ONE IS--
MICHIRU-CHAN! GIVE ME BACK THE BATTERY!
WHERE'S MY CELL PHONE?
EEEH?!
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I-
IT'S TRUE?
REALLY TRUE?
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H-
HARADA-SENSEI REALLY IS THE ...?
REALLY ...?
I WONDER
WHICH ONE YOU'LL BE ROOTING FOR IN THE FINAL STAGE.
EH? 'WHICH ONE'?
HARADA-SENSEI, OF COU--

ISN'T HE.
HE'S REALLY SOME-THING,
THE WESTERN REPRESEN-TATIVE IS...
...ARATA?!

HARADA-SENSEI AND ARATA WILL BE PLAYING AGAINST ONE ANOTHER
Daddy
IN THE FINAL STAGE OF THE MEIJIN QUALIFIER TO DETERMINE THE CHALLENGER ...?!

HEY, HEY, HEY, MASHIMA!
WHAT WAS THAT WITH AYASE-SAN?
YOU LITTLE SHIT! NOT ONLY YOU'RE BEING FASHIONABLY LATE FOR THE FIELD TRIP, BUT ALSO--
EH?!
M-MASHIMA?!
HEY!!!
UH,
IT'S ALRIGHT, GUYS.
HE JUST FELL ASLEEP.
HEAVE-HO
C'MON.
You're so manly, Tsukue-kun
Let me help you
Put him down on this futon
TODAY HAS TIRED MASHIMA OUT.
A HUNDRED TIMES MORE THAN US.
MASHIMA...

I WISH YOU'D WON.
I KNOW THAT THE KAPUTA WORLD IS NOT THAT LENIENT...
BUT...
I STILL WISH YOU'D WON.
Sender Hanano Sumire
All the winners are determined
Meijin challenger match
Harada Watava
Queen challenger match
Inokuma Ousaka

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WELL THEN, LET'S DISCUSS SOME-THING
SINCE YOUR FIELD TRIP IS OVER.
スパリ
WHAT SUBJECT WOULD YOU LIKE TO TEACH?
ムッポ
SO YOU WANT TO BECOME A TEACHER, AYASE-SAN.
.....
HM, BASED ON YOUR GRADES ...
P.E. IS IN THE LEAD OVERWHEL-MINGLY...
BUT MIYA-UCHI-SENSEI
PE IS A NO!
PLEASE CHOOSE A SUBJECT FOR HER WHERE STUDENTS WON'T BE IN DANGER OF DYING!
.....
...VETOED THAT.
.....
WELL,
WE'LL HAVE TO THINK A BIT HARDER, THEN.
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競技かるた部
新入部員いつでも大募集!
AYASE WHO STAYS STRONG AND ENERGETIC AS SHE WAS WHEN SHE WON THE YOSHINO SOCIETY TOURNAMENT
HOSETSU HAS BEEN CHAMBLE EVER SINCE AYASE JOINED!
.....
ADD TO THAT THE FACT THAT AYASE'S NOT SITTING BACK ON HER POWER, AND YOU'LL GET

...A DEVASTATING 20 CARD DIFFERENCE AS THE RESULT!
AYASE, IF YOU KEEP THIS UP
...THE GUY WILL NEVER RECOVER !!!
THANK YOU FOR THE GAME.
IF I GO EASY ON HIM...
BUT...
IF I HOLD BACK AGAINST HIM...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M TO DO IN THIS SITUATION...
AND I HAVE NO IDEA HOW TO CHEER TAICHI UP EITHER.

I'LL DO THE READING NEXT.
LET'S TAKE A 10 MINUTE BREAK, AND...
ブンブン
AH, BY THE WAY
AYASE, DID YOU CALL WATAYA ARATA?
EH?
NO, I DID NOT
THEN CALL HIM NOW!
HE'S BECOME THE YOUNGEST MALE WESTERN REPRESENTATIVE IN KARUTA HISTORY! THAT'S A PRETTY INCREDIBLE ACHIEVEMENT!
.....
I HAVE A FEELING THAT TAICHI...
...WILL QUIT KARUTA...
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To all the members of the Shiranami society ML

Shiranami society's urgent meeting notification

NO, IT'S NOTHING.
LET'S GO.
TAICHI?
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MAYBE IT'LL BE OK IF I DON'T SHOW UP?
RIGHT NOW,
IT'S HARD FOR ME TO HAVE TO MEET WITH HARADA-SENSEI...
I DON'T WANNA GO.

IT'S BEEN MY ONE DEAREST WISH EVER SINCE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SHIRANAMI SOCIETY!
THERE'S ONLY ONE REASON I HAD ALL OF YOU GATHER HERE TODAY!!!
AND NOW, I WILL MAKE AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF MY PLAN DESIGNED TO GIVE BIRTH TO A NEW MEIJIN!!!
SO, FIRST THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE CLASS A PLAYERS.
WE CAN'T AFFORD TO LET EVEN A SINGLE DAY GO TO WASTE!
THERE'S ONLY ONE MONTH TILL THE DECISIVE BATTLE BETWEEN THE EAST AND THE WEST!

CLASS B PLAYERS AND LOWER, SPEND YOUR TIME ON POLISHING YOUR TACTICS AND MAKE SURE TO TRAIN EVERY IMAGINABLE ASPECT OF YOUR PLAY!
YOUR TASK IS TO CREATE AS MUCH TENSION AS POSSIBLE AT OUR PRACTICE GROUNDS!
BE MORE ACTIVE AND PRACTICE HARDER THAN EVER!
WHEN YOU PLAY AGAINST ME,
I WANT YOU TO IMAGINE THAT YOU'RE FIGHTING WITH THE MEIJIN TITLE AT STAKE, AND CHALLENGE ME WITH EVERYTHING YOU'VE GOT!
ALL FOR MY SAKE!!!
I ESTABLISHED THE SHIRANAMI SOCIETY IN ORDER FOR ME TO BECOME THE MEIJIN!
AND I TRAIN YOUNG PLAYERS FOR THE SAKE OF BECOMING STRONGER MYSELF!
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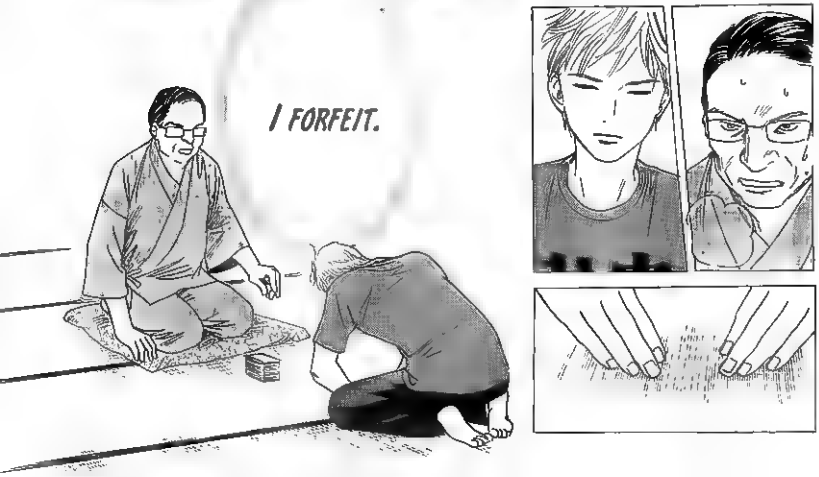
OOH...
IT'S FINALLY HAPPENED....
HARADA-SENSEI SHAMELESSLY REVEALED HIS REAL INTENTIONS IN ALL THEIR DUBIOUS GLORY.

TSUBOGUCHI-KUN YOU WORK AS AN ADVISOR AT SCHOOL AND I'M HAPPY FOR YOU,
BUT MAKE TIME TO COME HERE 2 DAYS A WEEK WITHOUT FAIL!
EEH? THAT'S GONNA BE HARD.
AND MATSUGE-KUN, TAKE THIS.
THIS IS MEGANE-KUN'S CARD PLACEMENT TABLE WHICH WAS PUT TOGETHER BASED ON INFORMATION FROM TSUBOGUCHI-KUN AND HARANO-SAN.
I WANT YOU TO PLAY AGAINST ME USING THIS PLACEMENT.
ARATA'S CARD PLAC-EMENT?!
HE WANTS ME TO...
...PRETEND TO BE ARATA...?!

BUT IT'S YOU WHO MADE ME THE EASTERN REPRESENTATIVE!!!
I-I CAN'T DO THIS.
IT'S OUT OF THE BLUE, YOU CAN'T EXPECT ME TO PLAY USING SOMEONE ELSE'S PLACEMENT
I DON'T WANT TO.
EVEN IF I TRY, I WON'T BE ABLE TO PUT UP A DECENT FIGHT.
.....
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
YOU'VE ALREADY PROVEN TO BE A STRONG OPPONENT EVEN WHEN YOUR WHOLE FORMATION WAS COMPLETELY MESSED UP!
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE I CAN ASK TO DO THIS!
BECAUSE YOU CAN PULL IT OFF.
EVEN IF I TRY TO COPY HIM,
I WON'T BE ABLE TO PLAY LIKE ARATA!
I DON'T WANT TO!


I FORFEIT.

YES, HE SAID HE SPRAINED HIS FINGER OR WHAT WAS THAT EXCUSE HE CAME UP WITH, BUT THE TRUTH IS...
IN THE FINALS SUDOU-KUN FORFEITED
CLEARLY BECAUSE OF THE BET HE HAD MADE WITH YOU!
OF COURSE, IF WE'D PLAYED, I'D HAVE WON ANYWAY,
BUT HE SAVED ME A LOT OF TROUBLE AND KNEE PAINS.
TSUBOGUCHI-KUN FOUGHT TOOTH AND NAIL, TOO, AND THAT HELPED,
BUT YOU DID NO LESS - AND YOU HELPED ME IN THE YOSHINO SOCIETY TOURNAMENT AS WELL.
I...

...WANT TO FIGHT MY FIGHTS WITH THE HELP OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE SHIRANAMI SOCIETY!
THOSE WHO HAVE HELP ARE BOUND TO GET STRONGER!!!

FULL POWER...
HARADA-SENSEI'S 'FULL POWER'...!
...AND MOVING FORWARD!
ABSORBING EVERYTHING...
SENSEI—
I'LL MEMORIZE ANOTHER PERSON'S CARD PLACEMENT, TOO.
BETTER DON'T, CHIHAYA-CHAN
IT'LL DESTROY YOUR OWN STYLE.
YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO PULL IT OFF
THE PLACE-MENT I WANT TO MEMORIZE IS NOT ARATA'S...

...BUT SUOU-MEIJIN'S.
I'LL TRY TO COPY...
...SUOU HISASHI.
YOU HAVE TEN, TOO, AYASE.
YOU HAVE 20 ONE-SYLLABLE CARDS.

WELL, TAKE A BREAK
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STRONG
HIS RELAXED STYLE IS BACK...
...AND TO TOP IT OFF, HE'S BECOME VERY TENACIOUS.
HELLO?
ピッ
CONGRATU-LATIONS ON BECOMING THE WESTERN REPRESEN-TATIVE~~~!!!
NOW, NO ONE WILL SAY THAT HIS WIN WAS JUST A FLUKE OF YOUTH.

ARATA.
NO UH, I'M FINE.
EEH?! REALLY?!
THAT SHOUT JUST NOW PRACTICALLY SPELLED DEATH TO MY HEARING FOR THE REST OF THE DAY..
CHIHAYA ...
THE ONE TO BECOME THE CHALLENGER AND GO TO THE OUMIJINGUU TEMPLE WILL BE HARADA-SENSEI!!!
THE SHIRANAMI SOCIETY WILL PUT ALL OUR MIGHT INTO DEFEATING YOU!
CHIHAYA, YOU'RE BEING PESKY.
THE WINNER WILL BE HARADA-SENSEI!!!
HE'LL BEAT YOU WITHOUT FAIL!
HE WON'T LOSE, I 100% GUARANTEE THAT!!!
IN HER EYE: VICTORY!

■PREPARATIONS TO EMERGE AS THE CHALLENGER ARE UNDERWAY BOTH IN THE EAST AND IN THE WEST.

■TBC in BE LOVE-#13■

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THOSE WHO HAVE HELP ARE BOUND TO GET STRONGER!
I WANT TO FIGHT MY FIGHTS WITH THE HELP OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE SHIRANAMI SOCIETY!
6月13日最新21巻発売!
末次由紀
I HAVE
to
dami
28 ONE-SYLLABLE CARDS.

CHIHAYA! ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!

28...

Arashi
fuku~
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE PLAYED LIKE THIS.
YOUR STAMINA IS HIGH AS EVER. PRACTICING WITH HIGH SCHOOLERS EVERY DAY MAKES ITSELF KNOWN, HUH?
YOU HAVEN'T GOTTEN ANY WEAKER, SAKURA-ZAWA-SAN.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? I'M SPENT.
I'VE LOST MY GRIP AFTER TOO MUCH 'PRACTICE'
FOR VETERANS,
ONE REAL MATCH IS A LOT MORE PREFERA-BLE THAN TEN PRACTICE ONES...

ALRIGHT, NEXT MATCH!
EEK?!
RION, YOU GO.
WITH HYUUGA-KUN'S WEIRD READING,
SO MODEST EVEN THOUGH YOU WON AGAINST ME JUST NOW!
You really did!
IT'S BECAUSE WHEN I PLAY AGAINST YOU,
FOR ME, IT'S A REAL MATCH.
HYUUGA-KUN WILL BE THE READER
Yes!
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SAKURA-ZAWA-SENSEI IS SO MEAN!
I LOST TO THIS WOMAN BIG TIME IN THE EASTERN QUALIFIER!
A LITTLE BETTER HEARING WON'T BE ENOUGH TO DO ANYTHING AGAINST HER!

YOU HAVE A FAIR CHANCE AGAINST ME, RION-CHAN.
ALTHOUGH I WON'T LOSE WHEN YAMASHIRO, DAN 7, DOES THE READING.
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E-
EXCUSE ME.
"TUG"
LET'S HAVE A GOOD GAME.
あぐ
ごくん
NANI WAZUKI
YORO-SHIKO'S WEIRD AS HECK!

'ALTHOUGH I WON'T LOSE WHEN YAMASHIRO, DAN 7, DOES THE READING.'
INOKUMA-SAN IS AGITATED
BECAUSE SHE SEES THAT OUR YAMASHIRO IS A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH
AND SHE KNOWS DION WILL GET EVEN— STRONGER
Shira-tsuyu ni~
FUJISAKI
7
.....
I FELT IT EARLIER, BUT NOW I'M SURE.
INOKUMA-SAN'S HEARING
IS PAST ITS PRIME.
IT SEEMS THE PEAK FOR THE HIGHTENED SENSES FALLS ON THE PERIOD.
BETWEEN ONE'S TENS AND THE FIRST HALF OF TWENTIES. AFTER THAT, HEARING ONLY GETS WORSE...

THANK YOU FOR SEEING ME TO THE STATION, SAKURAZAWA-SAN.
SORRY TO TROUBLE YOU BUT
I'LL TAKE THE BULLET TRAIN AND VISIT YOU AGAIN NEXT WEEK, OK?
YES, PLEASE.
新富士駅
SHIN-FUJI STATION
プルルルルル
PHWEEEW!!!
BREAST MILK, BREAST MILK.
MY BREASTS ARE FULL.
I'LL MAKE IT SO THAT IT'LL BE LIKE MAMA NEVER LEAVES HER BABY.
AH, RIGHT.
JINGLE JINGLE
JINGLE JINGLE
Sender: Inokuma Masaru
To: Haruka Inokuma
Jin is running a 39 degree fever. I bought some pyretic, should I give it to him?
He drank 200g of milk earlier
He's alright for now, but he was crying and calling y
so hurry up and come back
!
JIN IS RUNNING A FEVER?
EH...?

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お手洗
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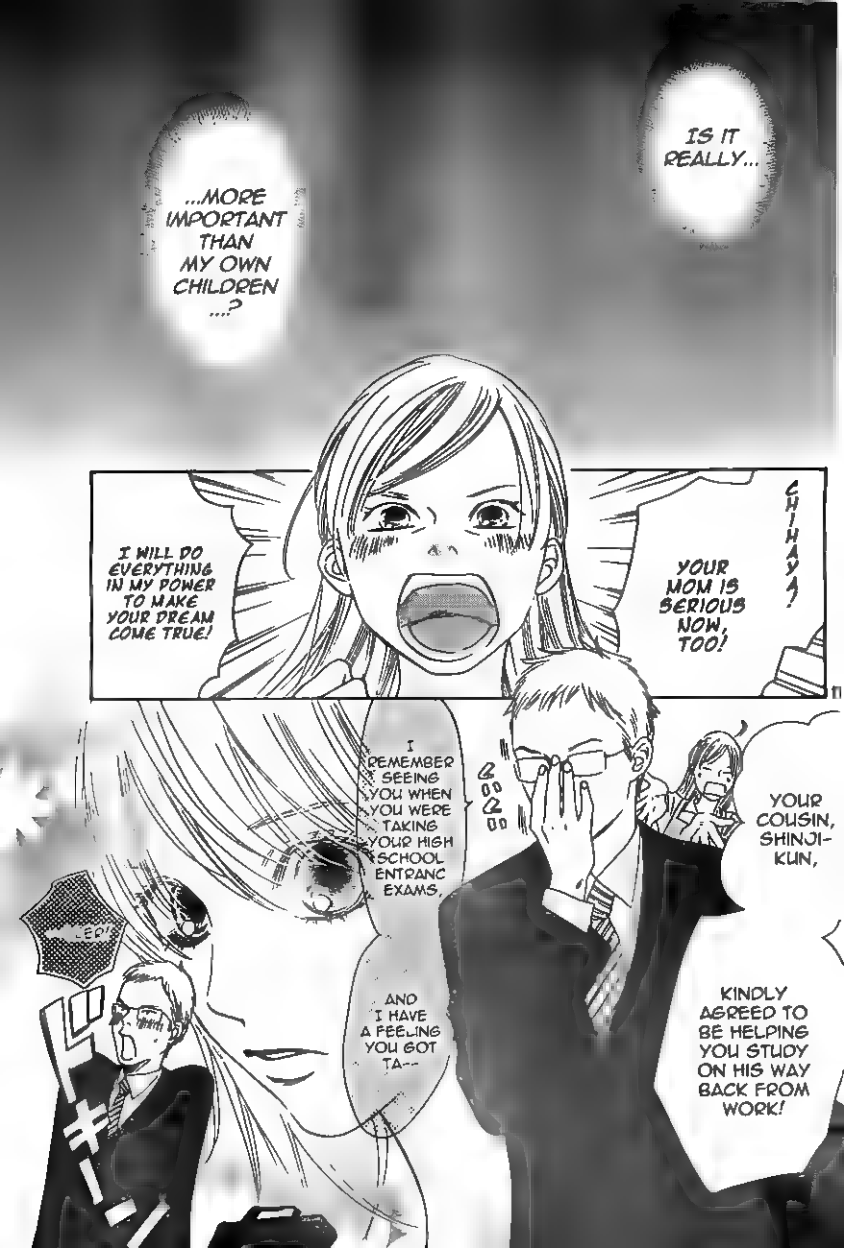
THE WESTERN REPRESENTATIVE, OUSAKA-SAN, IS 18
THE RULING QUEEN (5)
WHAT SHOULD I, A 34 YEAR OLD, DO TO WIN AGAINST THEM...?


IS IT REALLY...
...MORE IMPORTANT THAN MY OWN CHILDREN ...?
CHIHAYA!
YOUR MOM IS SERIOUS NOW, TOO!
I WILL DO EVERYTHING IN MY POWER TO MAKE YOUR DREAM COME TRUE!
YOUR COUSIN, SHINJI-KUN,
KINDLY AGREED TO BE HELPING YOU STUDY ON HIS WAY BACK FROM WORK!
GUU
I REMEMBER SEEING YOU WHEN YOU WERE TAKING YOUR HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANC EXAMS,
AND I HAVE A FEELING YOU GOT TA--
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I JUST FEEL LIKE SPEAKING QUIETLY
RIGHT NOW
CHIHAYA-CHAN, YOUR VOICE BECAME SO QUIET
?
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
SHINJI-NII-CHAN.
...THAT SHE WANTS ME TO COME CLOSER...?!
I-IS THIS A SIGN
2
Y-YEAH...
SOMEHOW-NEAR SHE'S
WOULD YOU LIKE
I'LL SIT NEXT TO YOU IF YOU DON'T MIND
WELL, CANNOT BE HELPED, THEN
IS THIS A SIGN OF LOVE?!
HARADA-SENSEI HAD PRESIDENT MASHIMA.
...MEMORIZE WATAYA-SAN'S CARD PLACEMENT ...?!
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I HAD MY SUSPICIONS ABOUT HIM BEING A MASOCHIST, BUT NOW IT'S A FACT BEYOND DOUBT!
AND WHAT'S EVEN WEIRDER IS THAT MASHIMA WENT ALONG DOING AS HE'S TOLD!
I KNOW, RIGHT?!
BUT IT'S LIKE THROWING A STONE OF SALT AT PRESIDENT
AND THEN RUBBING THAT SALT INTO HIS WOUND...!
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HUUH?
What's with you two?
Trying to memorize
PLEASE LEAVE THE SHIRANAMI SOCIETY ALONE!
HE TENDS TO SEPARATE THE CARDS STARTING WITH THE SAME SOUND.
"ME" AND "MU" ARE DIVIDED AND PLACED ON THE LEFT AND ON THE RIGHT.
HE'S INCREDIBLE WHEN IT COMES TO SWEEPS.
SWEEPS...
ALRIGHT, THE FIRST MATCH TODAY IS...
MASHIMA VS AYASE
AND TSUKUBA VS KANA-CHAN.

ON THE BALL. MANJUU

!!
YOU'RE NOT A CLASS A PLAYER
SO IT WON'T BE FIT TO YOU.
YOU'RE GIVING THIS TO ME?
EH?
ARE YOU A CLASS A PLAYER?
no, I'm not...
WE HAVE A MORON IN OUR MIDST!!!
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?!
SHE'S COPYING SUOU HISASHI?!
MORONS ARE MULTI-PLYING!!!
LET'S PLAY KARUTA ...
BERRY
BASKETBALL
BERR

BUT IT'S STILL INTRIGUING TO SEE...
A COPYCAT OF SUOU HISASHI VS
A COPYCAT OF WATAYA ARATA...
BERRY
BASKET BALL

Tsuki mire- ba~
WHEN SOMEONE WITH EXCEPTIONAL HEARING DOES THAT, IT LEAVES THEIR OPPONENT NO CHANCE
THE MEIJIN PLACES HIS CARDS IN A WAY THAT
AND THE OTHER TRAITS, TOO.
EVEN
THE SOUND
FLEDGED
MYH!

Daddy
Daddy
IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU CAN COPY EVEN IF YOU KNOW ALL THAT...
WAY!
BUT AYASE IS DOING IT...! SHE'S INCREDIBLE!
I WILL CATCH UP WITH IT.
WITH THE WORLD SHOU-SAN SEES.
'SEES'?
.....
MORE LIKE 'HEARS'...

SHIT...
MUST BE NICE TO BE ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO CAN PULL OFF STUNTS LIKE THAT
AND HERE I HAVE MY HANDS FULL ALREADY WITH JUST KEEPING MY SHIT TOGETHER WITHOUT BREAKING DOWN
AH, NO.
HE WON'T SAY 'SHIT'
.....
How could I think about it so easily in a dilemma and a dilemma like I had in the first place
WHAT HE WOULD SAY...
WHAT ARATA WOULD SAY...
'WHILE IT'S NEXT TO IMPOSSIBLE FOR TWO DIFFERENT PEOPLE TO HAVE THEIR SENSES [illegible] TO AN EQUAL DEGREE
THERE BE PLENTY OF WAYS TO TAKE A CARD FASTER'
Mo-

OH!
IT WAS CLUMSY, BUT YOU DID MANAGE TO USE A SWEEP
TO TAKE THAT CARD, MASHIMA!
AYASE WAS GOING STRAIGHT FOR THE RIGHT CARD, 'MOMO'.
BUT MASHIMA WAS POISED TO SWEEP THE TWO CARDS, 'MOMO' AND 'MOMO', BOTH AT ONCE, SO HE WAS ABLE TO GO FOR THEM
ON THE VERY FIRST SYLLABLE AND THUS WIN THE FIGHT!
SO A SWEEP LETS YOU FIGHT ON EQUAL TERMS WITH PLAYERS WHO HAVE EXCEPTIONAL HEARING GOING FOR THEM?
YEAH, PROVIDED YOUR SWEEP IS HIGHLY POLISHED

THIS IS DIFFICULT...
THIS IS A WEAPON OF A DIFFERENT KIND THAN THE COMMON PRACTICES PROVIDE BY ENCOURAGING TO LISTEN CAREFULLY AND
USES THIS TECHNIQUE AT A GREAT SPEED STARTING RIGHT FROM THE FIRST HALF OF HIS MATCHES
ARATA...
...DETERMINE WITH CERTAINLY WHAT CARD BEING READ.
HIGHLY POLISHED, HUH...
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Oh, she's back
WHEN ANOTHER MO IS READ IT WILL BE ALL OVER FOR YOU!
I WILL TAKE IT THE NEXT TIME, YOU CAN BET ON IT!
BUT WITH THIS...!

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SO YOU'RE SAYING MEGANE-KUN WILL DIVIDE 'SHIRA' AND 'SHINO', PLACING THEM ON THE LEFT AND THE RIGHT SIDES OF HIS FORMATION IN ORDER TO USE A SWEEP?
EVEN IF THEY ARE SEPARATED, HE MAKES YOU AIM AT THIS SPOT BY PLACING THEM HERE
ESPECIALLY IN CASE WITH 'SHIRA'
BUT THESE ARE STILL THE CARDS HE'S SURE HE CAN TAKE.
IT MAKES ME WANT TO TAKE THEM FROM HIM NO MATTER WHAT
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AND WHAT ABOUT SUOU-KUN?
HE'LL MOVE SOFTLY BUT QUICKLY AND TAKE THEM BY TAPPING, I THINK.
SINCE HE USES A LOT OF TAPS
YES, IT'S QUITE OBVIOUS FOR ANYONE WHO WATCHED HIM.
EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT!
ALRIGHT!
FUH
LET'S CALL IT A DAY FOR TODAY!
THE DECISIVE MATCH BETWEEN THE EAST AND THE WEST IS ON THIS WEEKEND...!

YOU'RE BEING WEIRD, CHIHAYA-CHAN.
THE SAME GOES FOR YOU, TOO, SENSEI. WHAT ARE YOU EVEN DOING..?
?
HM?
NOTHING
.....
AH, NO
UM, SENSEI...
COULD IT BE THAT SHOU-MEIJIN..
THANK YOU, MATSUGE-KUN, CHIHAYA-CHAN.
IT WAS A GOOD PRACTICE.
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Daddy★Bear

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COMMEMORATION
MEETING HALL
THE MEIJIN AND
MEGUMU IS SO CUTE
megumu-tan! YOU'RE COSMICALLY CUTE!
Hey!
What are those headbands you're wearing?
MEGUMU!
GUMU

FUH.
IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I WORE A HAKAMA.
I'D LIKE TO CHEER FOR YOU, BUT AKI AND JIN WON'T BE ABLE TO KEEP QUIET DURING THE MATCHES.
MAMA WILL GO WITH US TO THE PARK, TOO?
RIGHT?
SO I'LL TAKE THEM TO THE NEAREST PARK INSTEAD.
WHOA!
WHOA!
WHAT IS IT, JIN? YOU WANT TITTY?
TITTY?!
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O-
OUT OF QUESTION! I'M IN A HAKAMA, FOR CRYING OUT LOUD!
MILK! I'LL GIVE HIM SOME MILK!
AH!
HOT WATER!

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……
ぎゃあこうこう
あああ
I-
I'LL GO ASK AROUND FOR SOME HOT WATER
J-JIN...
ああああ
あああああ
JIN, I'M SORRY ...
IS SOMETHING LIKE KARUTA...
...REALLY MORE IMPORTANT THAN CHILDREN ...?
I'M REALLY SORRY ...
AND YOU, AKI, TOO.
OH?

YOU SHOULD JUST LET HIM HAVE IT.
TITTY, I MEAN.
EH?
B-BUT...
FOR WHAT PURPOSE, DO YOU THINK, A KIMONO HAS SMALL OPENINGS IN THE SIDES?
Well
ALTHOUGH THEY'RE NOT QUITE INTENDED FOR BREAST-FEEDING, BUT...
IF YOU WILL ALLOW ME.
OH, WHAT NICE SOFT BREASTS.
JUST GIVE THE BREAST TO HIM THROUGH THIS OPENING.
WE'LL BE FINE, THEN.
IT'S ALRIGHT, SEE?
AND YOUR HAKAMA WON'T GET DISHEVELLED THIS WAY.

KIMONO IS...
QUITE HANDY, DON'T YOU AGREE?
...A NURSING MOTHER'S ALLY.
E-EXCUSE ME..
WHO ARE--
WE ARE
ALWAYS AT YOUR SERVICE!
great business grip

a kimono fro...
aaaa...
MOTHER!
FORGIVE ME, AKI, JIN.
YOUR MOTHER? ...
WHAT DID YOU GO?
FUFU, SOMETHING CAME UP.
THERE'S A NEW YOUNG WOMAN AT THE SUIHOKU SOCIETY!
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Well
A CHANCE TO DO SOME BUSI-
FAST!
WAIT FOR ME.
MOTHER!
...SETS OUT TO BECOME THE QUEEN.

TODAY IS THE DAY WHEN THE CHALLENGER FOR THE QUEEN TITLE...
...WILL BE DECIDED.
AYASE-SENPAI?!
NOT A TEACHER! NOT A TEACHER!
WHY I'M NOT AMONG THE PARTICIPANTS?!
I'M DROWNING IN BITTER REGRET!!!
MOTHER MIGHT HAVE FORGOTTEN THIS, BUT MY FIRST AND FOREMOST DREAM IS TO BECOME NOT A TEACHER, BUT!!!

MY DREAM IS...
...SOMEDAY...
...TO BECOME THE MEIJIN.

■ TBC in the next issue ■